



Transfiguration of the Lord Catholic Parish Upper Sandusky -Kirby

MINUTES FROM THE PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

February 21, 2019

In Attendance: Father Tony Vattaparambil, Deacon Kevin Wintersteller, Patricia Winters, Jan Hart, Luke Smith, Roseanne Goodrich, Allan Thiel, Deanna Piecha, Matt Parsell, Lindsey North, Mark Rowe, Brenda Miller

Excused: Sherry Thiel and Pat Oney

Spiritual Session: Deacon Kevin opened the meeting with a prayer.

Review of previous minutes: The minutes from the October 18, 2018 meeting were reviewed and accepted. Father Tony informed us that the Pastoral council minutes are to be signed by each council member after the minutes are approved.

Old Business:

- Kathryn Charocopos has been hired as the parish Youth Minister and has been very busy with the new program.
- RCIA has five candidates. We are reminded to pray for all of them.
- The Sacrament preparation for First Communion and Confirmation are in progress. First Communion will be the 1st Sunday in May and Confirmation will be in late April.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS 2018-2019

Ex officio

- Fr. Tony Vattaparambil
OFM Conv
- Deacon Kevin Wintersteller

Chair Person

- Patricia Uhl-Winters

Vice Chair Person

- Luke Smith

Secretary

- Jan Hart

Members

- Allan Thiel
- Brenda Miller
- Deanna Piecha
- Lindsey North (Young Adult-U)
- Mark Rowe
- Matt Parsell
- Pat Oney
- Rosanne Goodrich
- Sherry Thiel

- The Pictorial Directory for the parish should be completed and handed out sometime in March.
- Mr. Blake England has been hired as the principal for the 2019-2020 school year. The new principal's credentials will be announced in the church bulletin.
- The Stained Glass Window project at St. Mary Chapel in Kirby could take up to two years to complete. It is our goal to reach \$200,000.00 for this purpose. Slightly over \$189,000.00 has been raised so far. A few of the windows have already been taken out and will be replaced shortly. John Massara is doing a great job updating everyone at Mass on the progress being made with the windows and the fundraising.
- Father Tony and Deacon Kevin gave us an update on all the maintenance projects being completed in the Parish. Many of these projects were proposed in the past but were not done. Therefore, the cost of some of the projects has gone up since their bids were received.

New Business:

- Financial needs of the Parish were discussed. General collections have been down.
- There was a discussion on how to get people back into the church.
- A Church and Congregational Safety and Security Seminar is being presented by the Wyandot County Sheriff's Office. It will be hosted by the Upper Sandusky Area Ministerial Association on Thursday, Feb 28th at The Community Christian Center. Pastors, Church Council members, Safety Boards, and concerned parishioners are encouraged to attend.
- Season of Lent services will be posted in future bulletins.
- Spring Mass celebration date has been set for Thursday, May 9th. The location is yet to be decided.
- Discussions were started on replacing some of the current Pastoral Council members who have met their term limits.

Concluding Prayer: Father Tony ended our meeting with a prayer.

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be on the third Thursday of next month, March 21 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Hart (Secretary)